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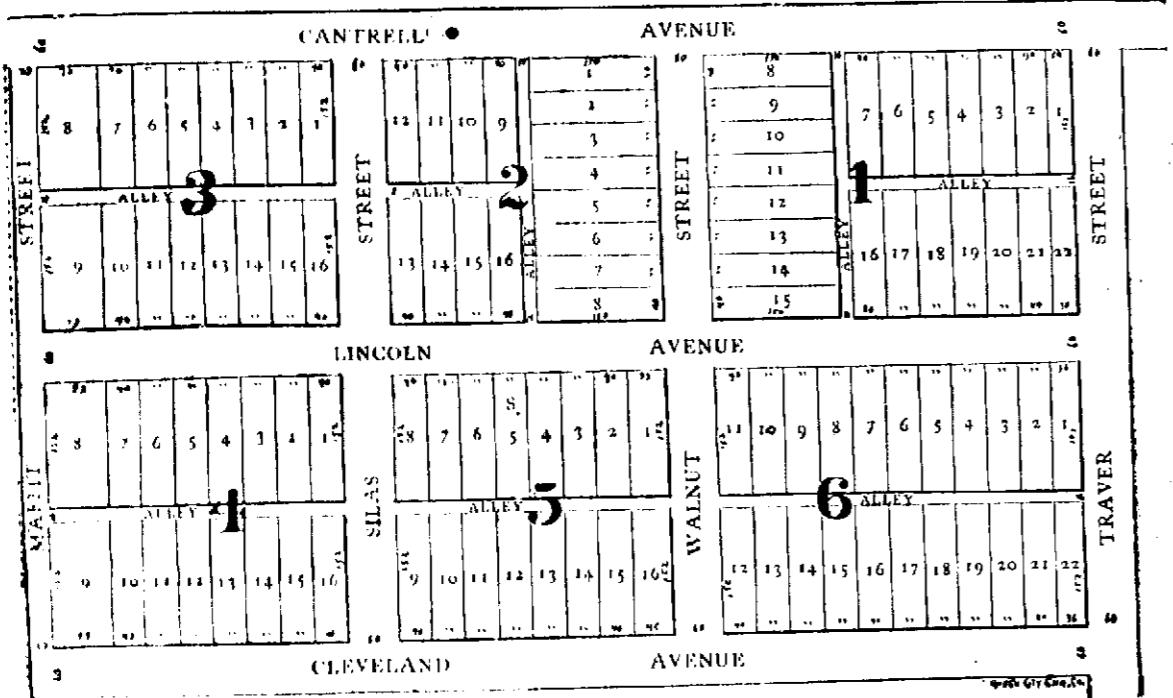
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DECATUR, ILLINOIS, FRIDAY, JULY 8, 1887.

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

Bones should be saved for fertilizers.

 —With this system of high farming and heavy manuring our land must increase in productivity and advance in value while the effect of the sheep or skinning process is the reverse.—*Golden Rule*.

 —Rules for easy subjugation of Canada thistles are plentiful, but not practical. Every attempt to eradicate this weed must be continued during the entire season of growth, or it will fail most surely and all its cost will be wasted.—*Cincinnati Times*.

 —Brown Bread.—One pint each of Indian meal, one-half pint of wheat flour, one-half cup of molasses, one tablespoonful of salt, two-thirds cup of yeast and one pint of hot water, mix, let it rise, steam three or four hours, and brown the top a little in an oven.—*Household*.

 —Southern Fried Chicken.—Put in a frying pan equal parts of lard and butter, roll the pieces of chicken in cracked-dust and dip in egg; then dust again; drop into the boiling fat and fry brown. Mince parsley and put in the gravy with a cup of cream.—*Louisville Courier-Journal*.

—Dyspepsia Cured.—It would be impossible for me to describe what I suffered from Indigestion and Headache up to the time I began taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I was under the care of various physicians and had great trouble with various remedies, but obtained more than temporary relief.

—I have used Ayer's Sarsaparilla, in my family for Serulosis, and know, if it is taken faithfully, that it will thoroughly eradicate this terrible disease. I have no personal knowledge of any other medicine that I honestly believe to be the best blood medicine ever compounded.—W. F. Fowler, D. D. S., M. D., Greenville, Tenn.

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BY TELEGRAPH

FROM WASHINGTON.

Comments on the President's Letter Declining the Invitation to St. Louis.

Indignant Grand Army Men Call Upon the President—An Ingenious Contrivance—Not Officially Advised.

The President Reversed (By Secretary Lamont)—An Opening—Explanations for Promotion.

Comments on the President's Letter.

Washington, July 8.—The President's letter has created great interest in the political and army circles of Washington.

The general opinion seems to be that it is a strong political letter, and will give Cleveland's chance for reelection a decided advantage.

A narrow view of the disaffection among the malcontents in the Grand Army of the Republic, and said he should have gone to St. Louis anyhow, inasmuch as in his letter he stated that he did not hold the Grand Army, as a body, responsible for the conduct of the war.

General Burdette, an independent member of the G. A. R., said: "I think the letter is a happy termination for the President and for the Grand Army of a situation which was depicted as much inside of the latter body as outside of it. The whole thing, in my opinion, was unfortunate, but the surroundings have become so complicated regarding his withdrawal that it is difficult to say exactly what he is about it.

The letter of the President is of a piece with the numerous other documents of his and will be regarded by the public generally.

It will hardly serve to bolster up a failing reputation.

Mr. Blaine left London yesterday for Edinburgh, where he will be the guest of Andrew Carnegie, the Pittsburgh iron manufacturer who is about on his way to Chicago, last night.

In all candor and without any reference to the previous controversy, it must be conceded that Mr. Cleveland's letter to the St. Louis men in which he declines to be present at the Grand Army encampment has not done his excellency any good.

There is about it too much of the Pecksniffian character too much of "my official stowaway" and the obligations of my oath of office to make it other than unsatisfactory, not to say disgusting to the general public.

Ever since his accession to the Presidency Mr. Cleveland has lost no occasion to impress upon the public the fact that, in his mind, he is the most unfeigned patriot.

The hardest worked and most conscientious official that ever occupied the executive chair, in short that he is a man of

solid blue blood, a slave to duty. This letter of the President is of a piece with

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Mr. Lincoln (the Democrat) "The grand movement for statehood in Utah is strictly a Mormon proceeding, and is designed of course to protect and promote the interests of the church. It is hardly conceivable that the Democrats in Congress will vote to admit a state into the Union under a constitution upholding the curse of Mormonism and it will not do to forget that in the case of Kansas a large majority of the Democratic members of the Thirty-fifth Congress voted, on the recommendation of a Democrat President to admit a state under a constitution declaring the right of property in slaves in free territory to be "before and higher than any constitutional question."

Mr. Blaine's detractors say the New York Tribune are strongly silent respecting his English journey. For the first time in many years they have ceased to pursue him with the unenviably spiteful nose.

What is the matter? Are they beginning to feel ashamed of themselves for their malvolent assaults upon him when they find him received abroad as a representative American of the highest distinction? Then silence seems to be taken some substance of course. As for Mr. Blaine himself he is recognized in England as a formidable opponent of free trade and a vigorous champion of America and Irish rights, but wherever he goes he is hourly lauded for his robust strength of character the charm of his conversation and his tact and social grace.

Mr. Albany (N. Y. Tribune) which is probably the organ of Mr. David B. Hill, but of whose Democracy there can be no question prints the following plain words concerning the administration of Cleveland:

Can the Democratic party afford to renounce President Cleveland? It seems impossible that any wise leaders in the party will do it. If he is to be defeated it will be the result of the long course of alliance with the Mugwumps, his indifference to Democratic demands, his appointments where appointments were made in many instances of incapable unknown or objectionable party men, his failure to prevent a genuine Democratic Convención from forming the fortune of the party to his own advantage, it will be because all wisdom, all independence of spirit has failed to the altered destiny of the one man. The blunder in the battle of the order comes as a new reminder of the foolish policy of a renunciation.

One year from now however the Tribune will be taking its Cleveland medeme like a little man.

An Unwritten Judgment. July 8.—W. C. Clark, a married man, 34, a son of a well-to-do wife some time ago. He has been called up to the front in the Civil War. No, he is not a soldier, but he has been a good citizen at home at the house. He has risen again, this time rising to see her. He waited on the top shelf of the street for some time, but he will not appear, so he drew a revolver and shot himself through the heart, dying instantly. It is believed he contemplated killing his wife and then committing suicide.

Not the Man. July 8.—A Captain Harvey McNamee, one of the super-intendents of police in the city, was sent to the prison, held there under suspicion of being Harvey McNamee, one of the fur robbers who got off the super-intendents of police is not the real killer. The Michigan man is a violent man, but he has never made a stand as a killer, so their prison does not in the least resemble McNamee either in action or personal appearance.

A Verdict for General Badeau. New York, July 8.—Justice Wallace yesterday in the United States Circuit Court handed down a decision in the case of the United States against General Adelbert Badeau, a violent man, who was to cover \$10,726.64 which it was claimed he had kept while General Lee was in the South. The result was a verdict in favor of General Badeau, the case will probably be carried to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Killed by Lightning. July 8.—During a thunder storm in McHenry County, Illinois, Mrs. Mary Barnes, a woman 26 years old, was at the time washing a bucket of water when she was struck by a bolt of lightning and instantly killed. Mrs. Barnes was the daughter of a well-to-do farmer and was the belle of the neighborhood.

The Canadian Pacific. Detroit, Mich. July 8.—It is stated that the Canadian Pacific railway has suffered a heavy loss in its arrangements, which its trains will be run into Detroit, and its own crews over the Michigan Central and that the Wabash and Baltimore & Ohio will be used as its Chicago connection.

Fate of an Unknown Two-Masted Schooner. Mound, Mo., July 8.—A two-masted schooner, name unknown, went ashore near the mouth of the White River, after ward drifted off to sea, and probably sank. No particulars have been learned about the crew. The sea is very rough.

The Right Way to Do It. New York, July 8.—The strike of the textile workers at Lawrence, Mass., L. I., was settled yesterday and the strikers are going back as fast as the superintendents can find places for them. Both sides made some concessions.

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Now on Sale.These goods have no equal in Decatur.
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DINGES & COOP.

FRIDAY EVE., JULY 8, 1887.

LOCAL NEWS.

See Ir. - The Canadian Lamp, now on sale at E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co's.

The Armstrong drug store building is receiving a thick coat of red paint.

Teams are shut out on West Main street from Church to Edward street.

SOCIALS this evening at Stapp's Chapel.

WHITE FOAM is the flour for the people. It is A 1.

In many parts of the county no rain of consequence has fallen.

The circus didn't do a "land office" business in Decatur. The rain and harvest time kept the people at home. Come again.

TELEPHONE to the Mound grocer for good groceries and canned goods.

Be on hand at the Stare Brothers' lot to-morrow if you want to see the start for natural gas.

NICKER butter is a specialty at Smith & Son's family grocery store.

JOHN GRASS proposes to push the paving improvement on West Main street.

The county teachers' institute, in charge of Supt. Evans, will begin on August 15th.

The Hotel Brunswick nine is practicing for a "blood game" of ball.

TRADE with Knob & Osborne, grocers at 121 North Water street. Give them a call.

CORONER PERL says that while he was at Blue Mound he heard no threats of lynching Westbrook for the murder of Gross. The coroner believes in the light of the evidence at the inquest that at the trial Westbrook will either be acquitted or get a light sentence at Joliet.

Buy supplies for the table at Hanks & Patterson's family grocery store, 143 S. Water street.

See J. Lytle & Co. in Opera block. They are the grocers and bakers who will give you supplies for the table—for a consideration.

There were many alluring attractions and fair signs on the way to the circus entrance. The agent was a little off in his representations.

The Mitchell farm wagon was as well as fine buggies and carriages can be had at D. F. Hunsaker's shop on Wood street.

LINCOLN HERALD: P. H. Hunt, the street paving contractor, began work on Tuesday excavating Kickapoo street between Pulaski and Broadway. He is for the present working all Lincoln men excepting three experienced men he brought with him from Decatur. It is to be hoped that the laboring men of this city will be given the preference while the work is being done.

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The home of Mrs. Elder, sister of John Ward, south of the St. Louis bridge, was entered by burglars yesterday afternoon, and everything in the house was turned upside down in the fruitless search for money. Only a few articles of value were taken. Followers of the circus are supposed to be the thieves.

The Doris & Colvin circus had bad luck yesterday playing against the rain and the harvest season. Comparatively few farmers were in town. Last night there were several hundred people under the tents. The circus was fair, but the managerial features were below the average. The outfit is at Mattoon to-day.

A New Location.

G. C. Caldwell, the board of trade man, will soon resume business in a new location, Room 14 at the rear of Decatur, Burrows & Co's bank. Mr. Caldwell does not intend to leave Decatur, but will remain right here conducting business as heretofore.

REV. N. M. BAKER, of Long Creek township, has favored us with samples of fruit from his farm. This fruit is not indigenous here, but grew from seeds planted by Mr. Baker. He has a number of trees, and says that they are prolific bearers. The trees are over thirty feet high and more than a foot in diameter.

A CAR loaded with 800 kegs of powder from the Niantic Coal Company took fire at Harristown, on the Wabash, and burned through the wall of the car and blazed a number of kegs before the fire could be extinguished. Great consternation prevailed among the train men, but they faced death with the valor of veterans; one brave brakeman seized an axe and chopped away the burning parts of car, another threw on water, as the circumstances of the case would allow, until all was made safe.—*Illinois State Register*.

The Omaha Good Templars had an enjoyable ice cream festival at the town hall on the evening of the 4th.

A number of farmers in this section continue cutting oats July 5th.

Oreana Lodge Knights of Pythias had a interesting meeting on the 4th, at 8 P.M. featuring the election of officers. Dr. J. D. Walker, acting Grand Chancellor, assisted by Sir Knight Grand Master at Arms Bell and Sir Knight Joe, as Grand Prelate, installed the following officers. C. C. James Shadid; Vice-Chairman, C. Mansfield; Prelate C. P. Rainey; R. R. and S. John Sheary, M. of E.; Henry Kuhns; M. of F.; John Scott, M. of A.; Richard Haines; James Guard; Joe McDonald; Outer Guard; Jessie McDonald.

The Lodge is in a flourishing condition, with a prospect of plenty of work soon.

LAUREN CALAMO, Emery, Ill., July 5, 1887.

Four Ice Wagons.

D. A. Mifflin has the purest and best crystal ice, with which to supply the public generally. He has four wagons that will be kept going all through the season, making prompt deliveries early in the morning and at any time of day.

Telephone 100. April 21st.

Fifty new styles in bon papers at

Saxton's Book store.

For a good, cheap suit—why, examine

Cheap Charley's stock.

A new line of light-colored stiff brim hats, latest shades and styles, at B. Stine's.

For fine-clothes, upholstery, furniture repairing, carpet laying, awnings, tents, wagon covers, &c., &c., go to A. Beer, southwest corner old square.

REPAIRING and repainting general line of vehicle work at the Bluegrass Shop, up-town.

Go to Spencer, Lehman & Co. for Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps and Iron Force Pumps.

GOLD-HEADED SILK Umbrellas, the finest in market, at B. Stine's.

The Corley-Fulton Wedding.
Mr. DeWitt C. Corley, the well-known young attorney of this city, and Miss Laura Fulton were united in marriage last evening at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Sarah J. Fulton, No. 116 North Water street, in the presence of over fifty friends who extended earnest congratulations to the happy couple. The impressive ring ceremony was used by the officiating clergyman, Rev. W. H. Prestley, of the Presbyterian church, who was assisted by Rev. George Stevens of Stapp's Chapel. A splendid wedding repast was served. The groom is a graduate of the Wesleyan University at Bloomington and is one of our reliable young lawyers. The bride, who is an estimable young lady with a host of friends, has just completed her third successful year as principal of one of the best schools at Peoria, Ill. The bride wore a white lace dress with a corsage bouquet of Perle des Jardins rose buds. The groom wore the conventional black. The presents were numerous and valuable, that of the groom to the bride being a warranty deed to the cozy residence property on Bradford street where they will make their home. They settle down to the realities of life at once, forego the customary wedding trip.

All of their Decatur friends join with the REPUBLICAN in wishing the couple a full measure of happiness.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. J. F. Curry is ill.

Supervisor Mancke is in the city today.

Mrs. J. D. McGaffey has returned to the city.

Mrs. O. Gurn and daughter arrived home last evening from Chicago.

Mrs. John Pasold has returned home from a week's visit to Chicago and Joliet.

Miss Dora Walston is home after a visit to Minneapolis and Chicago.

W. E. Ewing, of Evansville, was at the St. Nicholas last night.

Ex-Senator Muffett, of Blue Mound, visited the city to-day.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Roberts, on July 7, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Powers will arrive from Chicago on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Earl, of Connersville, Ind., is a guest of Miss Belle Ewing.

W. A. Webb, of Dalton City, took in Decatur and the circus yesterday.

Hon. S. P. Bartlett, of Quincy, U. S. fish commissioner for Illinois, paid a call last evening in company with Senator John.

President Kephart, of Westfield College, in Clark county, was a guest of H. W. Trueblood to-day. He left for Peoria this afternoon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McWhorter at Omaha, Neb., July 7, a son. The grandpa, J. Hunter Millikin, received the news to-day.

Charles H. Fuller, of the pension department, reached home from Dayton, Ohio, on the morning of the fourth, but has not been down town yet, being somewhat under the weather.

Mr. Charles Battles and two children, Mrs. Geo. W. Battles, and Mrs. John Roby and son, left for New Hampshire last night to remain during the summer. The Battles brothers will go east in August to be present at the golden wedding of their parents. Mrs. J. L. Spring, mother of Mrs. Charles Battles, went east with the party.

News has been received from Ike Cornthwaite and Smith Crowder, who report that they would arrive at Spokane Falls to-day. On the ocean trip from San Francisco to Portland Crowder was deathly sick 40 hours, and Ike was also quite ill, but he braced up and didn't complain while he looked after Smith. The young men on striking land at once agreed that they would never again board an ocean steamer. They are prospecting for bargains and have about concluded to buy a ranch.

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